है और दोनों देशों के बीच किन-किन वस्तुओं का व्यापार किया जायेगा; और

(ग) इस संबंध में सरकार द्वारा की गई पहल का ब्यौरा क्या है?

वाणिज्य मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री पी० चिदम्बरम): (क) से (ग) भारत-श्रीलंका संयुक्त आयोग की जनवरी, 1992 को नई दिल्ली में हुई पहली बैठक में दोनों देशों के बीच कृषि, लघु उद्योग तथा तेल के अन्वेषण में संयुक्त उद्यमों के लिए कार्य क्षेत्र का पता लगाने के अतिरिक्त, द्विपक्षीय व्यापार तथा वाणिज्यिक आदान-प्रदान बढ़ाने पर बल दिया गया था।

Export target of rice

3364. SHRI SHIV PRATAP MISHRA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether any target has been fixed for the export of rice during the current year;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) whether this target is likely to be achieved;

(d) if not, what are the reasons therefor; and

(e) what measures Government propose to take to meet the target?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI SALMAN KHURSHEED): (a) and (b) In value terms, target fixed for export of rice for the current year is Rs. 700 crores.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) Queustion does not arise.

(e) Government has already taken various promotional measures, removed constrains, and simplified procedures for exports.

Procurement of Iron-Ore from Orissa mines for export

3365. SHRI JAGDISH JANI: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) What is the total quantum of iron ore procured annually for export purposes from Barajamda, Banspani and Gandhamardhan sector in Orissa;

(b) what are the details thereof during the last three years– year-wise;

(c) whether there has been a sharp decline in the procurement of iron ore;

(d) if so, what are the reasons therefor; and

(e) what steps are being taken to increase the procurement of iron ore and export from these services?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) and (b) The total quantum of iron ore procured annually for export purposes from Barajamda, Banspani, Gandhamardhan and Daitari sectors during the last three years is given below:

Qty. Lakh Tonnes

Year	Barajamda Sector (Bihar)	Banspani Sector	Gandhamardhan Sector including OMC (Orissa)	Daitari (OMC)	Total
1988-89	0.89	7.86	1.69	0.81	11.25
1989-90	1.65	10.80	1.48	1.12	15.05
1990-91	2.22	15.28	1.59	1.97	21.06

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

(e) MMTC has been attempting to maximise the output of iron ore from these sectors by offering incentives to promote scientific and systematic development of mines.

Export of Plastic

3366. SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government will be able to export plastic to other countries in view of its bulk production in the country during the year 1992-93; and